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Mr. Jeff Morales, Director CALTRANS, 1120 N Street Sc cramento, California 95814

Attention:

Federal Resources Branch, Room 3500 for Rambabu Bavirisetty, Acting Chief

Office of Federal Transportation Program Management

Dear Mr. Morales:

SUBJECT:

MTC Amendment 01-06

We have completed our review of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Amendment Number 6.00 its 2001 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) submitted with your letter dated March 30, 2001. The amendment was adopted by MTC on February 28, 2001. This amendment adds and modifies various projects from various funding programs in various counties throughout the MTC Region. Specific project information related to the program modifications proposed by MTC was included with the MTC letter dated March 1, 2001.

Projects CC-979048 and MRN970034 are approved subject to processing an administrative amendment to reflect the correct local matching funds.

In accordance with 23 CFR 450 we find that the amendment was developed based on a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 USC 134 and Section 5303 of the Federal Transit Act (49 USC 53). The changes made to the program by this amendment are exempt from the requirement that a conformity determination be performed [40 CFR 93.126 and/or 93.127], or were considered as part of the conformity analysis for the current plan and program. Therefore, we find this FTIP conforms to the State Implementation Plan (SIP).

This finding has been coordinated with the Regional office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Region Nine office of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

This letter also constitutes approval and inclusion of MTC's FTIP Amendment Number 6.00 into California's 2000/01-2002/03 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

Leslie T. Rogers

Regonal Adminstrator

Federal Transit Administration

Sincerely,

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Division Administrator

Federal Highway Administration